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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL HAIG

FROM: ADMIRAL ROBINSON

SUBJECT: Air Strikes in Cambodia

As you will recall, the Chairman requested comments from CINCPAC/MACV on the need for intensified air strikes in connection with Toan Thang 01-71NB (CHUP Plantation).

COMUSMACV has replied as follows:

- 14% of current TACAIR sorties are going into Cambodia.
- The enemy is aware that villages, hamlets, and cultural structures are off limites for B-52 bombing and TACAIR attacks.
- He appears to exploit these havens.
- Requirements for Arc Light strikes continue to exceed the number of sorties available on a daily basis.
- At the moment, Arc Light resources are being allocated in support of LAMSON 720, Toan Thang and Quang Trung 22/1 operations, and against interdiction targets in STEEL TIGER and Cambodia.
- See Tab A for full text of MACV message.

I have asked the Joint Staff to provide me with daily sortie figures, which I will discuss with you in one week. Perhaps the recent CJCS nudge will serve its intended purpose.

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